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# SAP DORETTI

A TRIGGER-HAPPY HOODLUM WHO
WAS EVEN MORE STUPIO THAN
HIS NICKNAME IMPLIED!



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DON'T SHOOT, SAP!
YOU'VE GOT ME WRONG!
GIVE ME A CHANCE TO
EXPLAIN! I DIDN'T
DOUBLE-CROSS YOU!
HONEST, I DIDN'T!

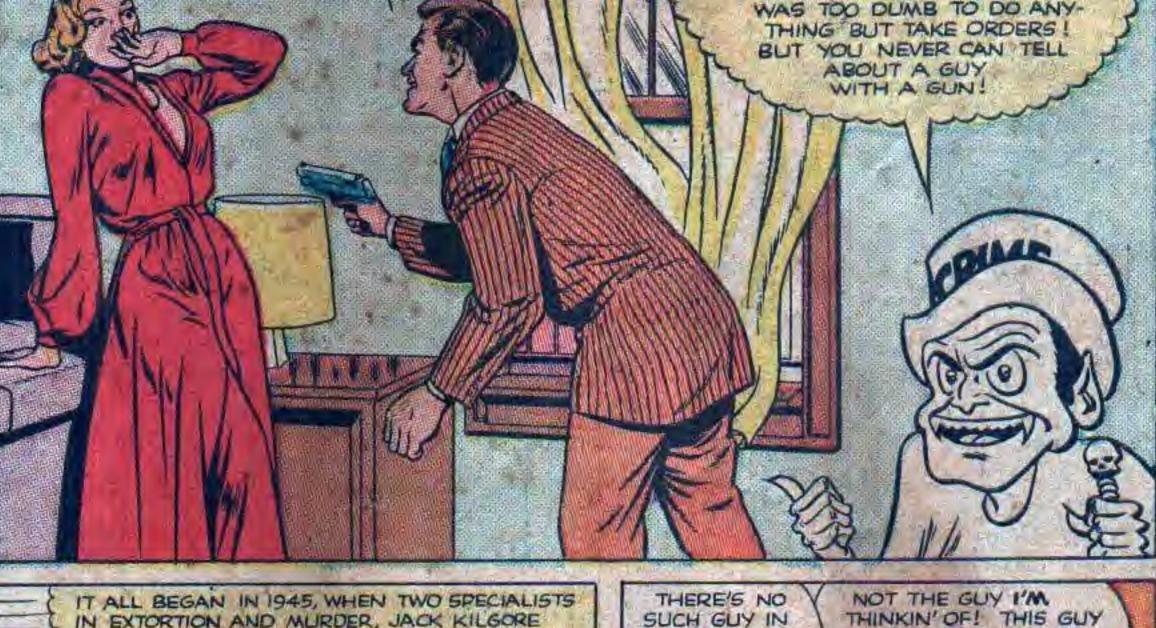
STOP LYING! I HEARD YOU WITH MY OWN EARS! THIS IS ONE TIME SAP DORETTI AIN'T LIVIN' UP TO HIS NAME! YOU'LL GET NO SECOND CHANCE TO STICK A KNIFE

IN MY BACK!

FOR NEW TERRITORY ON THE WEST
COAST, THEY LOOKED AROUND THEIR
ORGANIZATION FOR A RELIABLE LIEUTENANT TO RUN THEIR NEW BRANCH
AND UNANIMOUSLY SETTLED ON SAP
DORETTI WHO WAS THEIR FAVORITE
EXECUTIONER! BUT SAP HAD NO
IMAGINATION... ALTHOUGH HE
WAS A FIGURE OF TERROR, HE
WAS TOO DUMB TO DO ANYTHING BUT TAKE ORDERS!
BUT YOU NEVER CAN TELL
ABOUT A GUY

WHEN TWO EASTERN RACKETEERS

FLUSHED WITH SUCCESS, WERE LOOKING







SAP DORETTI?
THAT TRIGGERHAPPY MORON?
ARE YOU CRAZY,
KNOCKY? ALL
SAP'S GOOD
FOR IS
RUB OUTS!

RIGHT! AN' HE'LL
BE PLENTY BUSY
DISHIN' OUT WOODEN KIMONOS ON
THE WEST COAST!
Y'SEE...THEM
HOLLYWOOD
ACES AIN'T GOIN'
TO STEP IN LINE



WE'RE GOIN' TO NEED
SOMEBODY TO SCARE THE
GUTS OUT OF 'EM! A
KILLER'S GOT TO PAVE THE
WAY, JACK! A GUY WHO
LIKES TO KILL, WHO
AIN'T AFRAID TO KILL!



THAT DESCRIBES
SAP! BUT WHAT
IF HE GETS
BIGGER IDEAS
THAN JUST
KILLIN'?

THEN WE'LL GET RID OF HIM! THE BRAINS TAKE OVER AFTER THE BONE CRUSHERS DO THE SOFTENIN' UP!



MEANWHILE, WHERE WAS THE "BUTCHER" IN THE SLAUGHTER HOUSE, NATURALLY, SLAUGHTERING! THE WHOLE TOWN WAS SAP DORETTI'S BUTCHER SHOP! TWO OF THE SYNDICATE'S ENEMIES WERE UNWITTINGLY APPROACHING THE CHOPPING BLOCK...









SAP WAS INFORMED OF HIS PROMOTION ... ME RUN THE WEST COAST OPERATION? HONEST, KNOCKY! WHAT DO I KNOW ABOUT SUCH THINGS? RUNNIN' A SYNDICATE IS BIG BUSINESS! THAT'S THE POINT, I AIN'T SAP! YOU'RE ONLY GOT THE OUR "REPRESENTATIVE"! BRAINS! AND DON'T FORGET THAT! KNOCKY AND I ARE NOBODY TO DOUBLE-CROSS!

TEN MINUTES LATER,













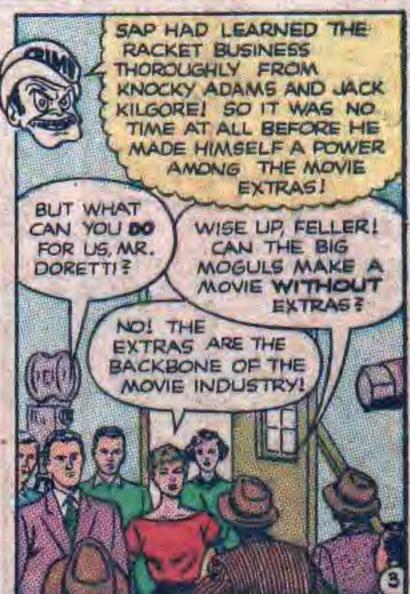


THEY'RE VERY SPECIAL! FOR

WEEKS I BEEN CASIN' THE COAST! I



YOU DON'T HAVE TO GUESS,





SO TAKE AWAY THAT BACKBONE
AN' YOU'VE GOT 'EM OVER A
BARREL! LOOK, KIDS! GET THE EXTRAS TO PAY THEIR DUES TO ME
AN' THEY'LL BE GETTIN' PLENTY OF
WORK AND BIGGER DOUGH BESIDES!
I GUARANTEE IT!...LEAVE THE
DIRTY WORK TO ME!



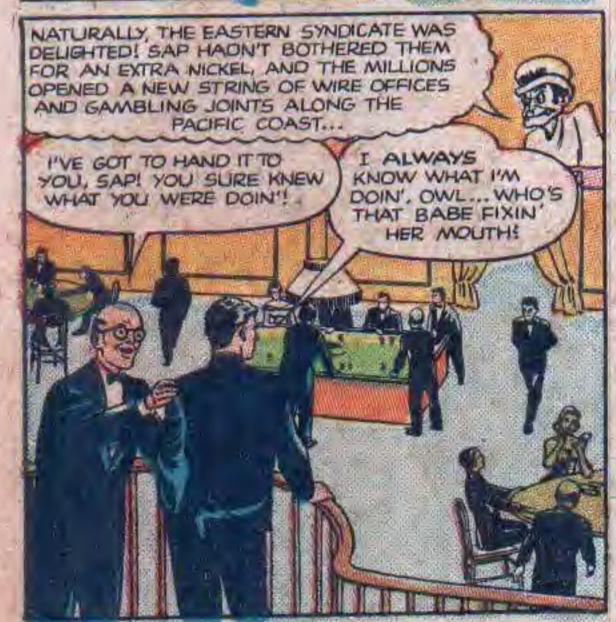
















I AIN'T TALKIN' NOW, SEE? BUT I GOT IDEAS IN MY HEAD ... BIG IDEAS ... IDEAS ITS DYNAMITE TO TALK ABOUT! SOMEDAY I'LL HOLD THIS TOWN IN THE HOLLOW OF MY HAND! THEN I'LL GIVE IT TO YOU FOR A WEDDIN' PRESENT! YOU MUSTN'T TALK LIKE THAT, DARLING!

YOU FRUSTRATE ME!

DON'T WORRY, BABY! EVERY MUG FROM SAN DIEGO TO SEATTLE WILL SHAKE IN HIS BOOTS WHEN THEY SEE SAP DORETTI ... BUT YOU'RE SAFE ... SAFE IN MY ARMS! I'M NUTS ABOUT YOU, LOLAL

BUT BE CAREFUL, SAP! MEN ON THE COAST!



LOLA WASN'T TELLING SAP ANYTHING HE DIDN'T KNOW! IN FACT, A FEW DAYS LATER, JUST BEFORE DAWN TOUGH GUY OWL GROZA HAD A VISITOR ...

SUFFERIN' CATS, ARE YOU CRAZY, COMING HERE NOW? THIS IS NO TIME OF THE NIGHT TO WAKE UP A

WHO SAID ANYTHIN' ABOUT WAKIN YOU UP, OWL? I'M HERE TO PUT YOU TO



QUICK! BUMP OFF HIS WIFE AN' MAID! THIS IS A "NO WITNESS" JOB!



FIVE HOURS LATER, SAP DORETTI WAS GIVING THE POLICE HIS "THEORY OF THE BRUTAL SLAYING ...

SO YOU THINK THE WEST COAST GAMBLING SYNDICATES BUMP. ED HIM OFF FOR MOVING IN ON THEIR GAMBLING TERRITORIES?

YEP, OWL'S AN EASTERN BOY! THEY HATED HIS GUTS! THE KILLIN' WAS A WARNIN' TO THE GAMBLIN' SYNDH



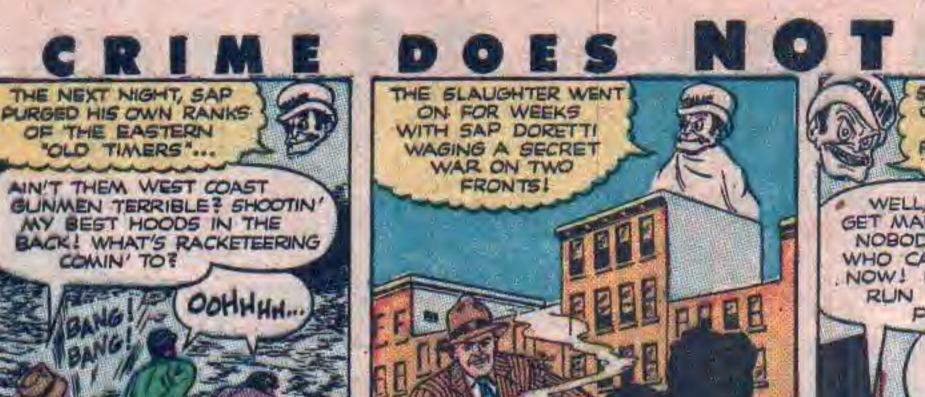
OF COURSE, OWL'S RUB OUT WAS PART OF SAPS GRAND DESIGN TO PROVOKE AN INCI-DENT TO DESTROY THE WESTERN GAMBLING SYNDICATES! ALSO TO GET RID OF JACK AND KNOCKY'S TORPEDOES AT THE SAME TIME!

SURE, SAP! GO AFTER 'EM! WIPE THOSE CALIFORNIA TIN HORNS OFF THE MAP!

DO YOU WANT US TO SEND YOU ANY HELPE

NAW! WE'LL DO FINE WITH WHAT WE GOT!



















SO, LOLA, WITH A
TERRIBLE SUSPICION RUSTLING IN
HER MIND, MADE
ANOTHER CALL
EAST TO HER
BROTHER...

BILL, I'M WORRIED! CHECK UP ON JACK KILGORE AND CALL ME BACK! IT'S A MATTER OF LIFE AND DEATH! I CAN'T EXPLAIN NOW!

YOU FOOL! I WARNED YOU TO STAY AWAY FROM KILGORE! HE'S DYNAMITE, LOLA! NOBODY'S EVER BEEN BETTER OFF KNOW-ING HIM!

TWO HOURS LATER, SAP, WHO WAS WELL-SCHOOLED IN THE ARTS OF RACKETEERING SELF-DEFENSE, AND HAD ORDERED THE WIRE-TAPPING A WEEK BEFORE, HEARD A PLAY-BACK OF LOLAS CONVERSATION!



SOMEBODY'S TURN IT OFF! 50 SHE'S

GOT TO GIVE GOIN' TO SET ME UP

SAP THE BUM FOR THE RUB-OUT! THE

STEER! DOUBLE-CROSSIN' HELL
CAT! I'LL RIP HER APART

WITH MY

THE PHONE, SARE HANDS!

SAP!



IT WAS KILGORE! THEY'RE FLYIN' DOWN TO TIA JUANA TONIGHT! THEY WANT ME TO TAKE MY PLANE AND MEET 'EM TOMOR-ROW NIGHT! I'LL MEET 'EM ALL RIGHT...IN THE FUNERAL PARLOR! JIMMY, YOU AN' MAC HOP DOWN TO TIA JUANA NOW! MEET ME AT THE AIRPORT TOMORROW NIGHT WITH EMPTY CHAMBERS IN YOUR RODS!













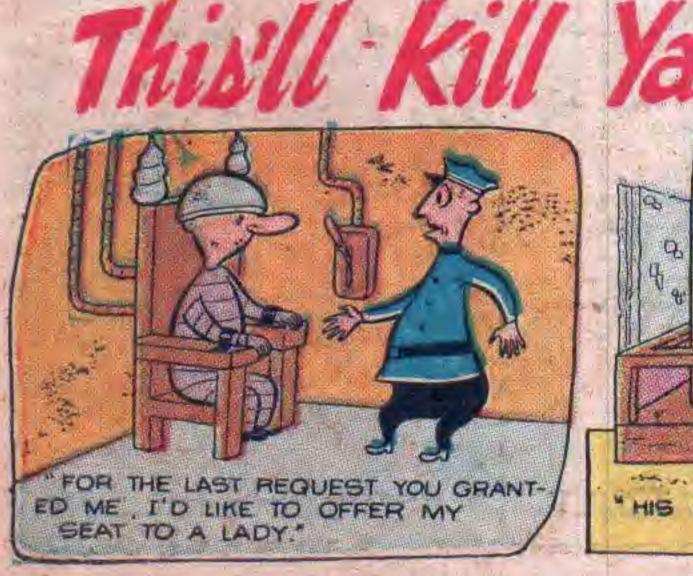


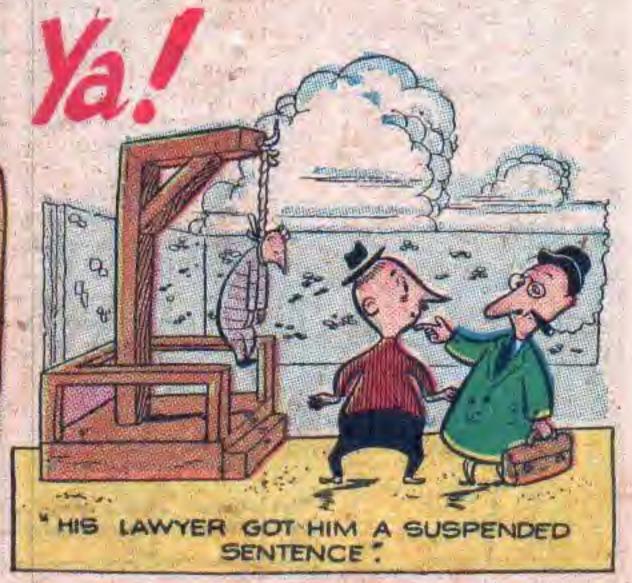












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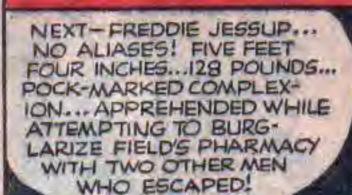
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# KANGAROO JUSTICE



STEP FORWARD, JESSUP-LET MR. FIELD HAVE A LOOK AT YOU! KANGAROO JUSTICE ... PART OF THE STRANGE CODE OF THE UNDERWORLD. FREDDIE JESSUP NEVER GAVE A THOUGHT TO KANGAROO JUSTICE UNTIL THE NIGHT OF MARCH SRD, 1938 AT WHICH TIME HE FOUND HIMSELF IN THE POLICE LINEUP...

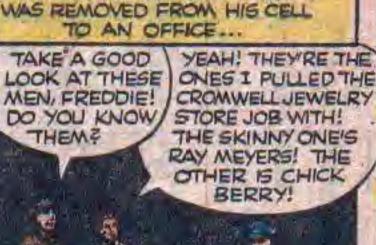






A FEW HOURS LATER-FREDDIE











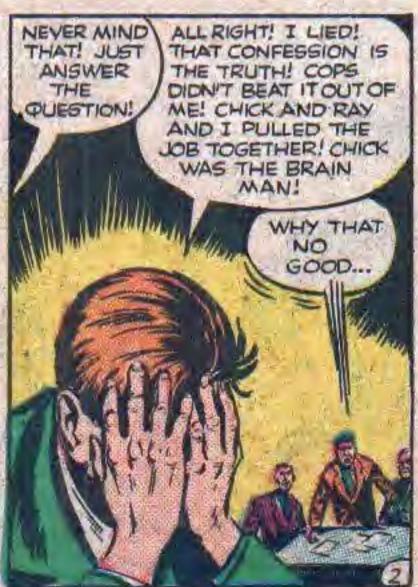


Freddie Jessup was sworn in as



... AND I SUPPOSE YOU'LL INSIST

THAT THIS NOTE THREATENING







CHICK BERRY AND RAYMOND MEYERS, I SENTENCE YOU BOTH TO TWENTY YEARS IN THE STATE PENITENTIARY! FRED JESSUP—AS THE STATES WITNESS I SENTENCE YOU TO THREE TO FIVE YEARS! HOWEVER-REALIZING THE SITUATION, I'M REMAINING YOU TO LEIGHTON COUNTY JAIL WHERE YOU'LL BE SAFE FROM ANY FORM OF REVENGE!



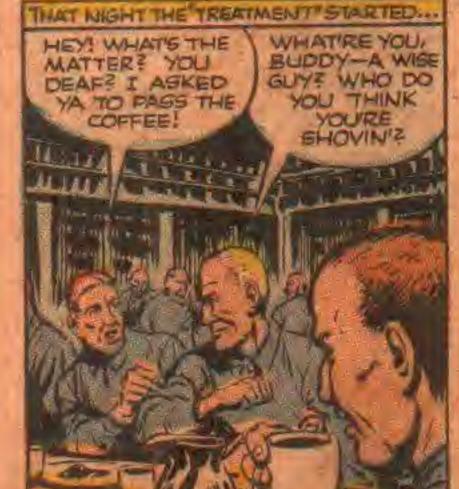
THE FOLLOWING AFTERNOON; FREDDIE WAS ESCORTED TO THE LEIGHTON COUNTY JAIL...



I MEARD WHAT WENT ON AS YOU.

ENTERED, JESSUP-AND I'M FULLY
AWARE OF THE SITUATION! I DON'T
TOLERATE ANY MONKEY BUSINESS
HERE AND THE MEN KNOW IT! I HOPE
IT WON'T BE NECESSARY TO SEGREGATE
YOU...BUT SHOULD YOU FACE ANY IN:
DIGNITY, I WANT YOU TO REPORT IT TO
ME IMMEDIATELY! UNDERSTAND?





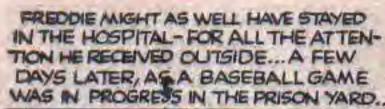






















THAT EVENING, AFITER DINNER,



## CRIME D

DECOURSE, THERE WERE NO WITNESSES TO THE ACCIDENT IN WHICH FREDDIE'S LEG WAS BROKEN-EVEN FREDDIE COULD SINGLE OUT NO GUILTY PARTY-THEN ONE DAY, WHILE RECUPERATING...







AFTER THEIR TRANSFER TO LEIGHTON PEN, CHICK BERRY AND RAY MEYERS WERE SINGLED OUT AND ESCORTED TO THE WARDEN'S OFFICE...

NOW LISTEN TO ME, YOU TWOAND GET THIS STRAIGHT! I KNOW
ABOUT YOUR CASE AND I'LL HOLD
YOU BOTH PERSONALLY RESPONSIBLE
FOR ANYTHING THAT HAPPENS TO
FREDDIE JESSUP! I KNOW HOW
THE GRAPEVINE WORKS SO YOU'D
BETTER PASS THE WORD AROUND!
LAY OFF - UNDERSTAND?

WELL, WELL! IF IT
AIN! TAY OLD BUDDY!
HOW ARE YA!
FREDDIE?

AW, YA GOT ME ALL WRONG,
PAL! I'VE HAD LOTS OF TIME
TO THINK! I'D HAVE SQUEALED TOO IF THEY'D PLIT
THE SCREWS ON
ME!

A FEW WEEKS LATER, FREDDIE WAS

RELEASED FROM THE HOSPITAL BUT

I SAW YA MAKIN' FRIENDLY TALK WITH JESSUP OUT IN THE YARD, CHICK! WHAT'S THE PITCH? YOU GETTIN' SOFT?

GET SMART, LAME-BRAIN!
WE CAN'T GET HIM WHILE
WE'RE IN STIR! I'M JUST
THROWIN' HIM OFF HIS GLARCE
WE'RE GONNA CRASH THIS
JOINT! TO SQUARE HIMSELF
FREDDIE WILL BE GLAD TO
COME ALONG! THEN WE
POLISH HIM OFF ON THE
OUTSIDE!



YEAH, THAT'S SMART, ALL RIGHT! BUT HOW ON THE OLITSIDE! A FRIEND OF MINE IS GONNA GET A JOB WITH THE GARBAGE DISPOSAL UNIT THAT PICKS UP THE WASTE MATERIAL FROM THE PRISON WORKSHOPS! HE'S GONNA SMUGGLE IN SOME GLINS AND AMMO FOR US!

CONSIDERING HIS MERE THREE TO FIVE YEAR SENTENCE IN COMPARIGON TO CHICK'S TWENTY YEARS, FREODIE BALKED AT THE MENTION OF THE BREAK...

OKAY, PUNK...FORGET IT! I THOUGHT YA MIGHT WANNA SQUARE YOURSELF...BUT I ME IN!

GUESS I WAS RIGHT ABOUT YA ALL ALONG!

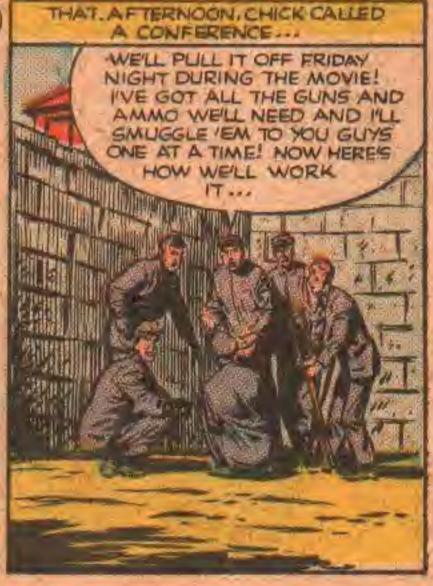


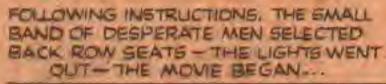


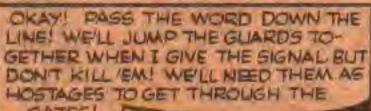












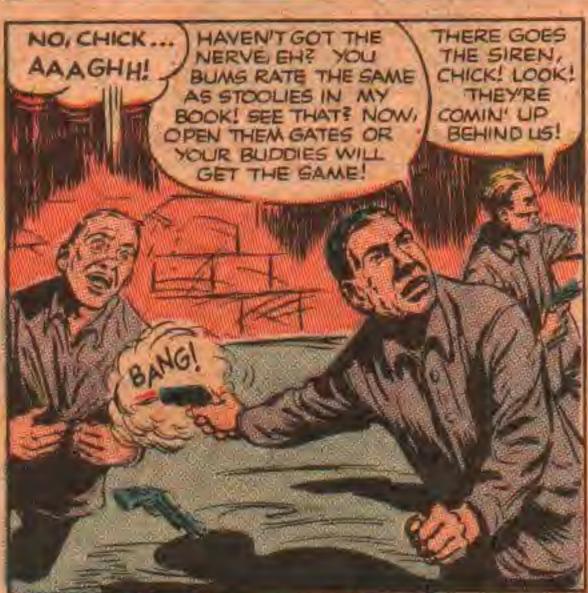












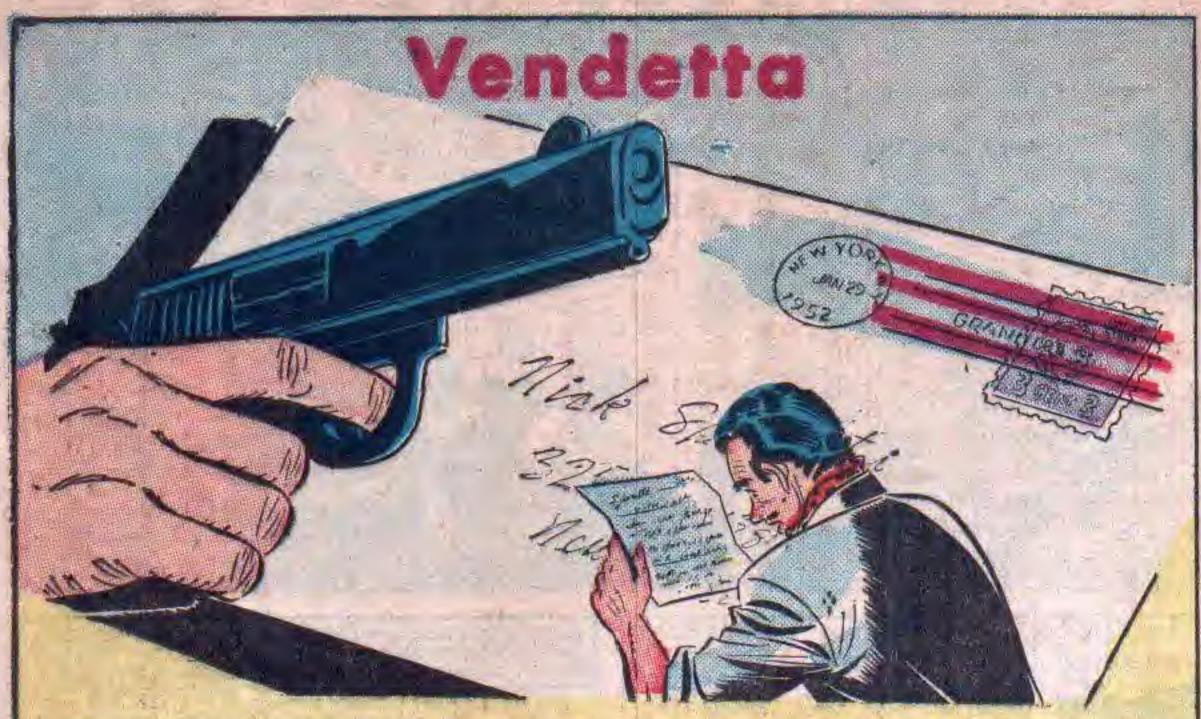






FOR HIS DOUBLE WURDER; CHICK BERRY WENT TO TRIAL—WAS DECLARED GUILTY AND SENTENCED TO THE ELECTRIC CHAIR—FOR COMPLICITY, THE SENTENCES OF THE OTHERS WERE INCREASED TO LIFE! CHICK BERRY WAS EXECUTED ON JULY NINTH, 1938, SCREAMING HYSTERICALLY... DISGUSTING, PITIABLE, MASS OF HUMANITY...





clean walk-up on Center Avenue. They had been in this country for ten years and had a small son, Tony, who liked to bring up the mail every morning at nine o'clock. One Tuesday morning Tony ran up the stairs with four letters for his parents — two bills, one advertisement, and a mysterious-looking envelope addressed in red, with no return address.

Nick Sporetti, the short, stocky man of the family, read the brief letter through and gasped aloud when he finished it.

"Maria, Maria, come quickly," he yelled excitedly to his wife, who was in the next room.

The thin, harassed matron ran to the front room when she heard her husband's excited yell, and looked at him in surprise.

"What's the matter, Nick?" Maria asked. Then she saw the letter in his hand and questioned him about it.

"Read this, Maria, just read this," Nick said faintly, the hand that held the letter shaking slightly.

Maria took the letter he offered her, studied the red words, and then read it out loud.

Monday

Sporetti-

I know all about your family — that you have a son, six years old. Leave ten ten-dollar bills in the Bijou Theater, 123 Street, if you want your family to be safe. Put bills in last row, orchestra, sixth seat from the left. There's a slit in the cushion. Leave bills there

Thursday at 3:00. Don't call the police. Terrible things will happen if you don't follow this letter. This letter is written with my blood. Beware of what will happen.

Vendetta

Maria looked at Nick worriedly when she finished the letter.

"What are we going to do?" she asked.

"What CAN we do?" Nick replied. "I'll go to the police, they'll know what to do about it."

"The POLICE?" Maria said in alarm. "But they say not to. They'll kill us, maybe, if we do. Take the money out of the bank, please, Nick," she pleaded.

"No, Maria, it's no good. This mob may have written other letters like this, getting money from other people. We have to stop it."

A half an hour later Nick Sporetti went down to the nearest police station and told the captain the whole story.

"A threatening letter, huh," the captain said with interest. "Glad you came to us. I'll get right on it and have someone at your house to speak to you about it tomorrow morning at the latest."

Since this was a case of extortion through the mails, the FBI was called in immediately. The next morning Ed Grant, one of the FBI's best men was sent to see Nick Sporetti. He told Ed Grant the little he knew about the situation and showed him the letter.

"I'm going to have this letter analyzed, Mr.

Sporetti," Grant informed him. "Maybe we can get some clue from it. Don't worry, we won't let any harm come to you or your family. You've given us something to work on, something that will help us nip this criminal or mob in the bud."

The letter was analyzed, and Ed Grant was informed that the letter wasn't written in blood but dime store red ink. His next step was to investigate that section of the city and discover if anyone else had received letters of this nature. When the people involved learned that the FBI was on the job, and ready to help and protect them, they talked freely to Ed Grant.

"Vendetta", he learned, always asked for sums not amounting to more than a hundred dollars — to make sure that the family could pay it. He banked on their superstitions and fears.

A week after Ed Grant got started on the case, someone came to him with another Vendetta letter. This letter demanded a hundred dollars of the family, to be left in the Woodlawn Cemetery, at the grave of a Joseph Spencer. A map was included to be sure the family left the money in the correct grave. The money had to be left on Wednesday at four o'clock.

Ed Grant and a fellow FBI man planted themselves at the cemetery early Wednesday morning, in the small house at the entrance, where they could keep an eye on the grave without being seen. Four o'clock arrived, then five o'clock, and they spent the rest of the night in the graveyard waiting for an unknown man.

The next morning they admitted defeat. They had followed the letter's instructions implicitly, what had gone wrong?

"Maybe we didn't wait long enough," Ed suggested to his buddy.

"He was supposed to pick up the money at four o'clock and we waited all night."

"I know, but he said to leave the money at four o'clock and we assumed that he'd appear shortly thereafter to pick it up. He may not show for a couple of days from now, just to be on the safe side."

"You may be right," Bob admitted.

There was nothing to do but wait for the next contact by Vendetta. And they didn't have long to wait. Nino Martonio received a letter asking for seventy-five dollars, to be left in the Cinema Verdi men's room Tuesday, in the pipe near the sink. The instructions were clear, the demands were couched in as terrifying terms as the writer could dream up.

Ed Grant and Bob Newburg arrived at the theater a day early to be sure that every thing was as the letter stated. They went to the men's room, unhinged part of the pipe, which came off easily, and put it back together again. Then Ed looked around for a place where he could hide from the criminal. He found a small broom closet diagonally across from the pipe, went in and found if he remained cramped, he could fit in the closet.

"This time we must be more systematic," Ed told Bob. "We'll work this thing in shifts. You'll watch the movie for three hours and grab some food and I'll stay hidden in the closet. Then we'll change positions. In that way we can keep an eye on the pipe constantly, and remain in the theater for days."

The next day the two men came to the theater as the doors opened and took their positions — Ed starting off in the men's room, and Bob sitting in the back of the orchestra, ready to come and relieve him when his shift was over.

After the first hour in the cramped broom closet, Ed's legs began to ache, and even though he kept the door open a crack, he felt like he was suffocating. Men came and went but no one so much as glanced at the broken pipe.

On Wednesday the same thing happened. Ed and Bob arrived at opening time, and were the last ones to leave the theater, but nothing suspicious occurred.

Then on Thursday, in the middle of the afternoon, Ed was stationed in the closet, when a short, swarthy man pushed open the front door slowly, and looked all around before entering. Satisfied that no one was there, he walked toward the sink, looked once more around the room, and then quickly unhinged the pipe.

Ed, convinced that this was the guy he was waiting for walked slowly out of the closet, and crept stealthily toward the man intent on what he was doing. He didn't realize anyone was watching him until Ed suddenly said, "All right, Mac, the game is up."

The man turned around quickly, startled.

"Wha . . . Who are you?" he asked automatically, and then realizing he was wise to his game, he started to run out of the room. But Ed was too quick for him. He grabbed him around the legs, in a football tackle, and held on. Then the crook, trying to free himself, gave Ed an uppercut, which Ed countered with a right to the jaw.

After five minutes Ed had the guy under control, and twenty minutes later, had taken him to headquarters. Four months later the crook was in Leviton Penitentiary, paying the penalty that comes to all criminals.

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DON'T MAKE
A MOVE, HOYT!
I'VE CAUGHT
YOU IN THE DOWNSTAIRS,
ACT!
COPS! I TOLD
YOU TO KEEP
AN EYE OPEN
DOWNSTAIRS,
SHAW!

WATCH IT, PUNK-DON'T TRY ANYTHING YOU'LL BE SORRY FOR!

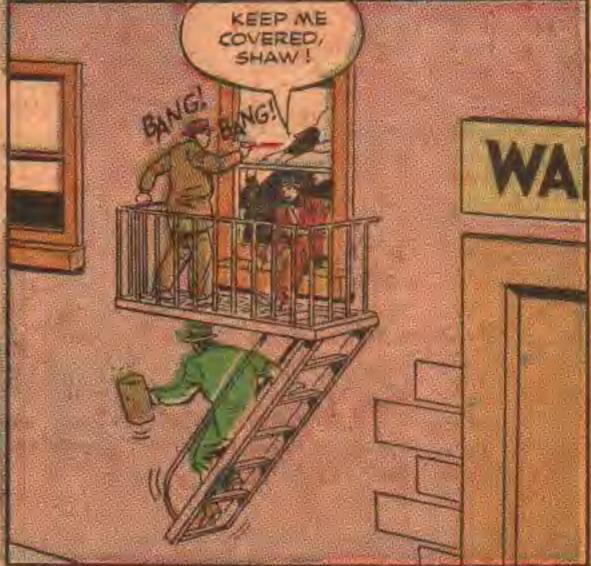
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MACGRUDER WAS CAUGHT, BUT HOYT, SHAW AND HOLLISTER MADE THEIR GETAWAY SAFELY! THEIR ONE THOUGHT WAS ESCAPE! HOYT AND HIS BOYS STOPPED A PASSING MOTORIST ...















BUT TIME WAS CATCHING UP WITH THEM! JUST THREE MINUTES LATER, A MOTORIST SPOTTED THEIR VICTIM AND CALLED THE POLICE!



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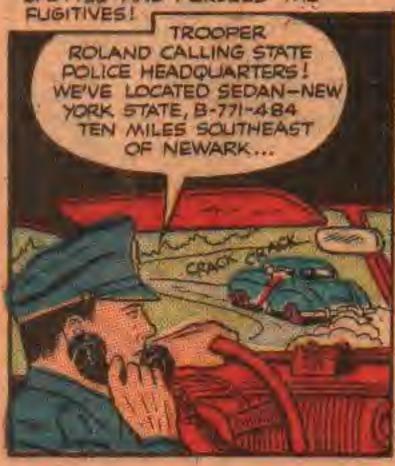
BOTH CASES SEEM TO TIE TOGETHER! HOYT AND THE OTHER TWO WERE DES-PERATE! I KNOW HOYT-HE'D KILL ANYONE WHO STOOD IN HIS WAY!

WILLIS AND I COULD WORK TO-GETHER ON THIS SERGEANT!





AN 8-STATE ALARM HAD NEW
JERSEY AUTHORITIES ON THE ALERT!
EVEN AS DETECTIVES ROBINS AND
WILLIS DROVE THROUGH THE HOLLAND
TUNNEL, NEW JERSEY STATE POLICE
SPOTTED AND PURSUED THE
FUGITIVES!







#### NOT PAY DOES CRIME

KEEPING IN TOUCH WITH THEIR HEADQUARTERS BY RADIO, THE NEW YORK DETECTIVES WERE INFORMED OF THE NEW JERSEY STATE POLICE ACTION, AND SPED TO THE SCENE ...



DETECTIVES ROBINS AND WILLIS SPED TOWARDS TRENTON! A MILE BEFORE THE CITY A MOTOR-CYCLE PATROLMAN STOPPED THEM ...

I'M SURE I SAW

THE CAR YOU'RE

YOU MENTIONED

SEEMS TO RING A

BELL! I SAW THEM

ON THE OTHER SIDE OF TOWN! THERE'S

A BRIDGE OVER

AFTER! THE LICENSE

THE NEW YORK OFFICERS KEPT RELENTLESSLY ON THE TRAIL, DRAW-ING NEARER TO THEIR QUARRY WITH EACH MILE ...

READING! MAYBE ITS

THE CAR YOU WANT ... I COULDN'T SEE THE

LICENSE NUMBER ...

I HATE STOPPING EVEN -TO HAVE BREAK-

... CLOSER, CLOSER, TILL A MILE OUT-SIDE OF READING ...

THERE'S

ONE THING

YEAH, I SAW THIS 48 FAST, SEDAN GO BY AT ABOUT EIGHTY! IT ROBINS! TOOK A FORK TO THE RIGHT ABOUT A QUARTER MILE UP, GOING TOWARDS

IN OUR FAVOR, WILLIS-THOSE HOODS HAVE TO EAT, TOO! HOT MEA



WHAT? YOU, MAC-SURE, HOYT! THAT DICK, ROBINS - HE AND IS THERE A REAR MISTER, ANOTHER GUY ARE BUT ... DOOR TO THIS HERE - COMIN' PLACE? THIS WAY! OPEN





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#### NOTPAY CRIME DOES

YOU AIN'T SORE

AT US, LEFTY?

NO! I'M

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SO THE CHASE CONTINUED -SOMETIMES THE DETEC-TIVES CAME WITHIN SIGHT OF THE FUGI-TIVES! OCCA-SIONALLY THEY LOST TRACK OF THEM FOR SEVERAL HOURS! FOR THREE DAYS THE LAW OFFICERS GAVE THEIR QUARRY NO REST! THEN AT A TOURIST CAMP NEAR STEUBEN-VILLE, OHIO, ONE NIGHT ...

WE BEEN TALKIN' THEY'LL THROW IT OVER, HOYTI THE BOOK AT WE'RE TIRED YOU THIS TIME! OF RUNNIN' MAYBE YOU'D WITH THOSE TWO RATHER DIE FLATFEET BREATHIN' THAN LET DOWN OUR NECKS! 'EM TAKE IT AIN'T US THEY YOU, BUT NOT WANT SO BAD, US, HOYT! HOYT-IT'D BE WE'RE GOIN' OUR FIRST TO THROW IN THE A THREE-TIME SPONGE! LOSER!









I'MUDONE! GIMME A CHANCE! LOOK, ROBINS-I'M NO KILLER! YOU KNOW THAT! I ... I GOT A LIFE BEHIND BARS TO FACE! I COULDN'T STAND THAT! I JUST WENT NUTS-Y...YOU CAN'T BURN A GUY WHO'S OUT OF HIG HEAD!





LEFTY HOYT WAS INDICTED FOR THE MURDER OF THE MOTORIST IN NEW YORK! OHIO WOULD HAVE PROSE CUTED HIM FOR THE SLAYING OF SHAW AND HOLLISTER, BUT HOYT NEVER LIVED TO FACE THAT CHARGE! HE DIED IN THE ELECTRIC CHAIR FOUR MONTHS LATER

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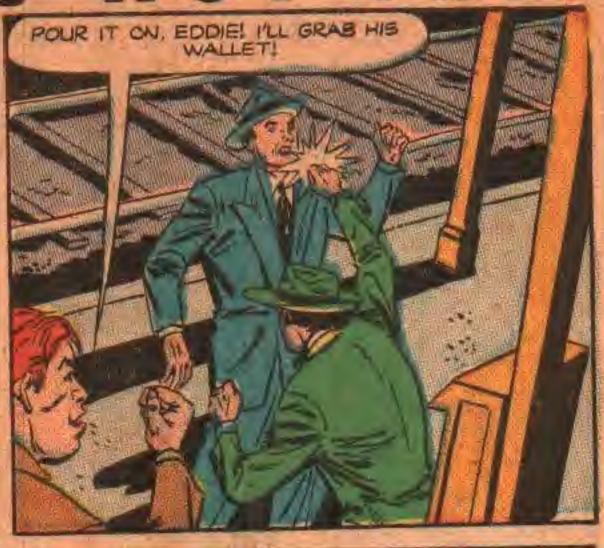
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AT NIGHT - SOME OF THEM
ARE LOADED WITH DOUGH!
ALL WE HAVE TO DO IS MUG
THEM, AND LIFT THEIR
WALLETS! IT'S A CINCH! WE
JUST GOTTA
BE SURE THERE I NEVER DID
AREN'T ANY
COPS ABOUT! LIKE THIS BE
FORE-BUT
OKAY! I'M IN A



HERE COMES THE TRAIN! I HOPE
THERE'S A LIVE ONE ON IT! BE
READY! YOU KNOW WHAT TO DO!

YEAH - I JUST
HOPE IT WORKS!









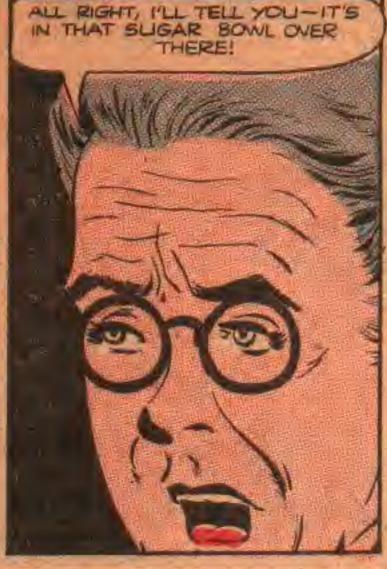














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HEY! DO YOU GLYS WANT IN ON A GOOD DEALY YOU KNOW THE FIGHT AT THE ARENA -WELL, VAL DUCIE'S TAKING A DIVE! MY BRO-THER HANGS AROUND WITH SOME OF THE BIG BOYS, AND THEY GAVE HIM THE INSIDE DOPE AS A PERSONAL FAVOR! BUT KEEP



YOU KNOW - IF YOU HAD SOME REAL DOUGH, YOU COULD TAKE KLINEY THIS TIME! THE FIGHT SOUNDS LIKE A SURE THING-NOT LIKE THOSE CRUMMY TWO BUCK BETS YOU PLACE!

> THOSE MUGGINGS WE PULLED LAST NIGHT WERE KIDS" PLAY! LET'S TAKE ANOTHER CRACK



LATER THAT NIGHT THEY WENT TO A CHEAP NEIGHBORHOOD, AND HUNG

HEY, SHARKEY! LOOK AT THAT LUSH! HE'S SO LOADED HE'LL NEVER KNOW WHAT HIT HIM!



YOU BETTER NO TWO YOUNG SQUIRTS ARE GOING NOT MAKE A RACKET, LUSH! TO STEAL MY HARD EARNED I'VE GOT A GUN IN YOUR MONEY! RIBS





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